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GIFTOPOULOS STANDOUT FOR CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY HOCKEY SQUAD

John Giftopoulas of Hamilton, Ontario has completed his first semester as a member of the Concordia University Varsity Hockey Stingers. The 6'3, 205 lb. defenseman is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Paul Giftopoulos of 174 Osborne Avenue, Hamilton.

The former Provincial Junior All-Star with the Hamilton Jr. "A" team was twice named Athlete of the Year while attending Cathedral High School. In 25 games the first year graphic arts major has accumulated 7 goals and 5 assists.

Head coach Paul Arsenault has predicted that John "will play a major role in the Stinger's success this season."

The Concordia Stingers are presently in second place in the Ouebec University Athletic Association with an 8-2-1 record. They trail the Université du Quebec à Trois Rivieres by one point although Concordia has one game in hand.

The Stingers boast a 13-7-2 overall record including wins over Toronto, and U.S. Division I opponents Vermont, Cornell and Dartmouth. Concordia is the defending Quebec champion, in fact the Stingers have won six consecutive league titles since the merger of Sir George-Loyola in 1975.

The Concordia icemen return to action on January 8th and 9th when they host the Micron Invitational Hockey Tournament, Canada's most prestigious university tournament. This year's field includes the Moncton Blue Eagles, defending Canadian Interuniversity Athletic Union champions; the Guelph Gryphons; Queen's Golden Gaels and the host Concordia Stingers.

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